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SUBJECT: NAMIBIA: BOTHA ATTACKS SWAPO

1. ACCORDING TO FEB. 23 PRESS REPORTS, FOREIGN MINISTER
BOTHA, SPEAKING AT A RECEPTION IN HIS HONOR GIVEN BY THE
ADMINISTRATOR GENERAL IN WINDHOEK, CHARGED THAT SWAPO WAS
NOT INTERESTED IN A PEACEFUL SOLUTION IN SOUTH WEST AFRICA.
REFERRING TO REPORTS THAT SWAPO TERRORISTS HAD ABDUCTED
119 OVAMBO STUDENTS ON FEB. 20 (REPORTED SEPTTEL), BOTHA
REPORTEDLY SAID THAT SWAPO KIDNAPPED INNOCENT CHILDREN AND
MURDERED PEOPLE AND WAS FIGHTING AGAINST DEMOCRACY.

"AT THIS VERY MOMENT," BOTHA REPORTEDLY SAID,
"WHILE MY DEPARTMENT IS STILL EXCHANGING VIEWS WITH THE FIVE
WESTERN POWERS OF THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL ON AN EFFORT TO
FIND A BASIS FOR A PEACEFUL SOLUTION THAT WILL BE THE BASIS
FOR INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION, SWAPOS REPLY IS TO MURDER
PEOPLE." SWAPO, HE SAID, CLAIMED IT MUST FIGHT AGAINST
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SO-CALLED SOUTH AFRICAN OCCUPATION OF THE TERRITORY, "YET
IT HAS BEEN AGREED THAT MY GOVERNMENT HAS UNDERTAKEN TO GRANT
THIS TERRITORY INDEPENDENCE AT THE END OF THIS YEAR."
FURTHERMORE, HE SAID, SOUTH AFRICA WOULD ALSO WITHDRAW
ITS TROOPS SHOULD THE NEW GOVERNMENT IN SWA/NAMIBIA WISH.
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